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## MEXICAN MAN SENTENCED TO 57 MONTHS FOR BEING IN U.S. ILLEGALLY AFTER DEPORTATION FOR AGGRAVATED FELONY

## PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Jose Gutierrez-Reyes, 50, Mexico, was sentenced to 57 months in prison late yesterday by U.S. District Judge William T. Lawrence following his guilty plea to illegally being in United States after having been deported following deportation for an aggravated felony, announced Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana. This case was the result of an investigation by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Department of Homeland Security.

In December 2008, ICE officials received word from the Marion County Jail personnel about Gutierrez-Reyes who was in custody. Gutierrez-Reyes had previously been convicted of child molest in Marion County with a 12 year-old victim in February 2008. He was then deported in March 2008, to Mexico. Marion County Probation Officials received word that Gutierrez-Reyes was back in United States in July 2008 and issued a warrant for his arrest. Child Molest is an aggravated felony under immigration law and Gutierrez-Reyes can never again be in the United States without permission.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, Gutierrez-Reyes will again be deported following his term of imprisonment.

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